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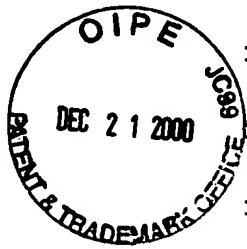
In re Application of:

Hisanori Fujisawa

Serial No.: 09/045,041

Filed: March 20, 1998

For: Method And Apparatus For Carrying Out Circuit Simulation



Group Art Unit: 2763

Examiner: H. Jones

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Pursuant to the enclosed separate Letter to the Examiner Requesting Approval of Drawing Changes, amendment to FIGS. 1A, 1B and 2 is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 9, 15, 21, 27, 33, 39 and 45 as follows:

9. (ONCE AMENDED) A method of carrying out simulation of a circuit,

comprising:

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